Lagrange Ind.,
Aug 2d 1869.

Rev. Selden Jackson;

Dear Bro.;

By your letter in Presbyterian of last week, I notice that a minister is needed at Fremont Nebraska. You do not give name of any one to address. I wish to find a field of labor in the west — either to organize a church or at least to preach to one but lately organized — a new field. My health at present is tolerably good, and am ready to go when ever the Master may call me. Cannot spend much money running about on uncertainties or trying experiments, for I am not blessed with much of that needful article (money I mean).

I have preached to this church for one
four years as Stated Supply. and in May
last was elected Pastor; but have concluded
not to accept the Call.
I refer to Rev N. S. Smith, Stated Clerk
of Phes. of Ft Wayne, at Fort Wayne. Or to Rev.
F. M. Price the oldest member of this Church
present.
Will you send my name to some one
at Fremont, or give me the name of
some one to address?
Truly your bro. in Christ
A. F. Randolph.

Aug 2. 1869

Rev Shilden Jackson

At the time of your letter arriving I was absent, on my return I found there was no funds on hand. It takes some little time to collect from little Children the small sum of $15. I think we have that amount on hand now and if you still desire it for the papers at the Sabbath School at Ills. Mo. I will send it immediately to you. If not for this, have you any other pressing wants that would interest the Childrens, please write & we will gladly give

Rochester Monday Morning
Aug 2d, 1869.-

Dear Bro. Jackson:-

Enclosed I send Mrs Jackson's, Church letter. We are glad when of the good health of yourself and family.- Our youngest Child has been very sick, but is now nearly well and my own health has been poor for a few weeks.- The health of the people is generally good.- At the annual Meeting Mr. Evans was Elected to take the place of Mr. Andrews, as Ruling Elder.- Mr Sikes and Mr. Paden were Elected Trustees.- The ladies have been raising Money to insure Church properly and to pay taxes, the latter being more than a hundred dollars.- Mr Elder Expect to leave for California about the first of October.- Bro. Graves's Church was dedicated last week. Bro. McNulty preached, Only Thompson and Patterson present. I was too much to go. I drew Thompson this Morning on his way

from Kasson.— The Books have been sent to Bro. Savage also the other things to Bro. Patterson, — Last week I sent a hundred dollars to G. B. to pay a note in Bank which became due, In a couple of weeks another note of the same amount will be due at one of the Banks here, for Money borrowed to pay Moving Expenses. For this reason I regret to say, that I have no Money to send you. "But have patience and I will pay thee all" I am sorry that Mrs. Andrews did not give it to you. By the end of this quarter, at furthest I will try and send it, — Nothing of special interest in the Church, We have adopted a plan for visitation, which thus far is working finely, Prayer-meetings well attended. — Give my love to Mrs. Jackson, I see from the papers that you are making progress in your work. May the Lord bless you abundantly, is the prayer of

Your friend and brother

J. T. Sullivan

Bedford, Aug. 3.–69.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson–

Dear Bro–

I have another suggestion to offer with the view of getting to see you. I hope to have Communion at Hodaway on the 3d. Sabbath of this month, (D.V.) according to appointment already made, Service to commence at 3, P.M. Saturday. Now can you be with us? I still desire to see you & confer with you about this section of our field, and the more since I saw your communication in the Presbyterian of the 31st. ult. My dear Bro. This region demands

and deserve more attention than Presb'y or its general Missionaries are giving it. I and myself, weary of toiling here without aid or sympathy. Come if you can & spend a week – The week preceding the meeting of Presb. in this region & we will go to Presb. in company with Bro. Westcott.

Hoping that this is the time I'll "fetch you" I remain

Yours &c

L. A. McKinney

P.S. – Perhaps Bro. Cole – land can come too. Please remember me kindly to him.

Philadelphia Aug. 3 1867

Rev. S. Jackson.

Dear Br.

I have just read your Communication to the Presbyterian, dated Aug. 12th in which you speak of the wants of the Field, You name Several places where Ministers are needed, some of which I doubt not, are very important, and desirable points, I am without Charge, My time is partially employed; but not sufficiently so to afford anything like Comfortable support to My family: And unless I meet here with Something more encouraging, I must look after Some other place of labor. The West has been pointed to me by Several of the Brethren here; but I have feared to venture west on account of the health of my family. We have been Compelled to move two or three times, at

great Sacrifice, on account of Asthma in the family. I could not live and be useful when we would be subject to that Disease. We have five Children. My own Constitution, though not strong, will bear almost Constant labor, if it is not too laborious. I would not hesitate to take Charge of one, Two, or three Churches, if not too far apart. I am past fifty years of Age. I Mention all these facts, so that you may be able to judge as to whether it would be right for me to venture to that part of the West to Seek a field of labor.

What would you think of Fremont, in Nebraska? Or Red Oak Junction, Iowa? Or Pasa Co. Iowa? Will you be kind enough to answer, and name any point you may think most suitable for me?

Yours very truly
Wm H Dorland

1031 South 17th St

My address is = Eau Claire
Aug 5th 1869

Rev Sheldon Jackson

Dear Brother - I
notice a communication from you to
the Pres - concerning the wants of some
fields of labor in Iowa - I am get-
ting ready to leave this part of the
State - have visions of a field
of labor suited to the wants of
my family - I can hardly think
of going into an entirely new
field as I must have my
Children in school - I have
five boys ranging from 2 to 14 years
old - for of them needing schools
I am visions of devoting my
self to the ministry & also of
going into a more southern cli-
mate - Knowing the wants of
the churches & my wants & qual-
-ifications can then any openings
to which you wish to introduce

Mr. Hart My old field at Chippewa Falls I resigned last fall am sorry to say they are not prospering very well - This church is not doing much for the cause Presbyterianism The truth is there is but precious little of that element in this town living again - I have spent 12 years most of the time laboring diligently to build up the Church I love & am very much dissatisfied with the result

But I took my pen to make an inquiry - May I hope to hear from you at your earliest convenience - When is Lyon?

I presume you heard of my loss - In the great fire in this place 22 May My Store-goods & all went - My loss was seven as I was lightly insured Yours truly J. Phillips

Aug. 7, 1869.

Dear Bro. Jackson.

I wish to correct a mistake in my last letter, I appointed the 3rd Saturday next, to meet you at Woodbury (i.e. next) I should have said, on the 4th Saturday, I forgot that this month came in on Sabbath, and then my mind was all wrong, but let regards to you, & Bro Jackson & Sister & children & all enquiring of your welfare.

Yours Truly

D. Merritt

Lawrence Settlement N.S.

August 1st 1865

We the undersigned, being members of the Church of Christ in this place, of the second order of obtaining Church privileges in this place, do hereby express our wish to unite with a Presbyterian Church, and we ask the earliest connection as Ministers.

[illegible]

[illegible] Bedford N.S.

Rawlings
Wyoming

August 8. 1869

[illegible]

[illegible] that we are still
[illegible]

Bryan W.T. Aug 4th 1884

Dear Brother Lockhart

I held Service here yesterday afternoon & evening - But few came out in the afternoon but in the evening I had the largest congregation I have yet had the pleasure of meeting since I came out to this country - They listened very attentively - A few ladies were present, and they seemed very anxious that the services should be continued regularly - & I promised that they should. I think a good congregation can be collected any Sunday at the P. A. & few from the town will also attend - They promise to assist in erecting a church - & I think we should put up a moveable building here - as cheap a one as possible - I had no expectation of meeting with so much encouragement here - I have found Christians at all - But I think a good many would like to have a church, & would attend it.

My rubin did not come yesterday - Henry checked at Corsicana, & put on board the cars all right - but must have been taken off somewhere. The baggage master who went up last night promised to have it sent down today - So I hope to get away tomorrow - Like to hear from you -

Fraternally
W. Humphry

Marengo Ill.
Aug. 11th 1864

Dear Bro. Jackson

Your letter from Helena was this day rec'd - Your telegram was also duly rec'd - I did not reply to the latter for I was not sure of its reaching you.

In reply to the letter I may say that I am disposed to accept the invitation to Helena as I have not heard from Lincoln, except indirectly thro' Bro Cleland. I shall be at home until

after the 24th of Aug-
& should be very happy
indeed to meet you.
Come & make us a visit
- get acquainted with
the better half & tell us
all about that distant
field. It is natural
that while Christians to fol-
low the Call of duty in
Jesus' name - we should
also desire to Read the
surroundings - Col. Vawter
is a personal friend, &
his family belong to this fold.

Please visit us, - as it
will cost you no more
I think, to go or return
to Chicago by the way of
Fulton & Freeport - than
by the old route - Mrs P. &
Myself unite in prayers

per the Dir. blessing
upon you in your
multiplied labors —
Yours in the faith
H. P. Peck.

P.S. I think I could be
ready by the 1st Oct. to
be in Helena, but I would
prefer to wait until I see
or hear from you more
fully, before making a final
decision. I should like
information regarding the
route — the Expense of trav-
elling — Expense of living
&c — I doubt not the
Ld. will take care of us,
but He Expects us also
to be diligent in using
means. If you do not come
please write — but Come

if possible – I will only say that I am pleased with the prospect & quite disposed to go to Helena, but will reserve a final decision until I hear more fully from you – or have a personal interview. You know I have not the means necessary to defray the Expenses of removal &c – & if these are provided I know of nothing to prevent my acceptance of the invitation –

H. P. Peck

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Chicago August 12th 1869

Rev Sheldon Jackson

Dear Sir.

Before contracting for the material for the Cheyenne Church which you purpose obtaining here it is necessary that we should know if cash payment will be made upon receipt of materials which may be forwarded. Please favor us with information relative to this at your earliest convenience as it will necessarily have a bearing on the time of the Contract. After prolong labors we have got off the plans. obtaining such of the details as illustrate the work to be done here. We have endeavored to make the plans and specifications very explicit more so from the fact of the Church being so distant as to render it impossible for us to give its action our personal superintendence.

We remain

Yours &c.

Cochrane & Piquenard

Arch'ts

(for D)

Astoria New York
August 17 1869

Rev. S. Jackson
Dear Brother

I inclose a P. O.
order for twenty two dollars
which you will please use
according to your discretion
for the cause of Home Mission.

I have read with interest
your letters in the Presby. &
rejoice that you are engaged
in this good work.

I have neglected to answer
your letters because I was
waiting for something favorable.

As to the Post on the R. R.
I hope you have in some
way succeeded. I wrote to
Mr Jenks immediately & sent off

saw him; he said that the former Direction had been so lavish in their distribution of pass. that the present Direction felt it necessary to curtail & had gone to the opposite extreme. Alfred spoke of writing to Mr. Jefferson L. Williams of Ft. Wayne. & I thought no one that I knew would be more likely to do something for you.

We hear regularly from Alfred. he is well & hard at work. Last week rode to Presq. to Albert Lea. Mr Keeler called on us last week. we were much pleased with him enjoyed his call.

We are all as well as usual.

Mrs Stead joins in kind remembrances. Please remember me kindly to Mr Jackson.

I shall be glad in any way I can to cooperate with you & am always pleased to hear from you.

truly yours
in Christian Love
B. F. Stead,

ans

Muscatine, Ia
Aug 18/69

Rev. S. Jackson.

Dear Bro,

I am interested in your work, & by your letters in the "Presbyterian." Have been grieved by the attacks of Bro. J.D. Mason upon you. Your reply was triumphant.

I write you now to put you on your guard. Dr Musgrave has given him some kind of a Commission & sending over Iowa, Minnesota & Nebraska, & perhaps some

more territory. The nature of it I am not acquainted with. He wrote me a few days since that he had been written to by Dr Musgrave to go up to Minnesota & spend a few weeks there, and he told Dr. Anderson of Davenport that he was being sent up there to look after your work in that state.

From all that I can see I am disposed to think that Dr Musgrave is desirous to crush you, because you are not acting under his

Commissioner, and thus Mason is sent up into Minnesota as a "detective," to see if any defects can be found in your work there. As Mason is a very bitter man, & has already prejudged you, it is very plain what kind of a report he will make to the Board.

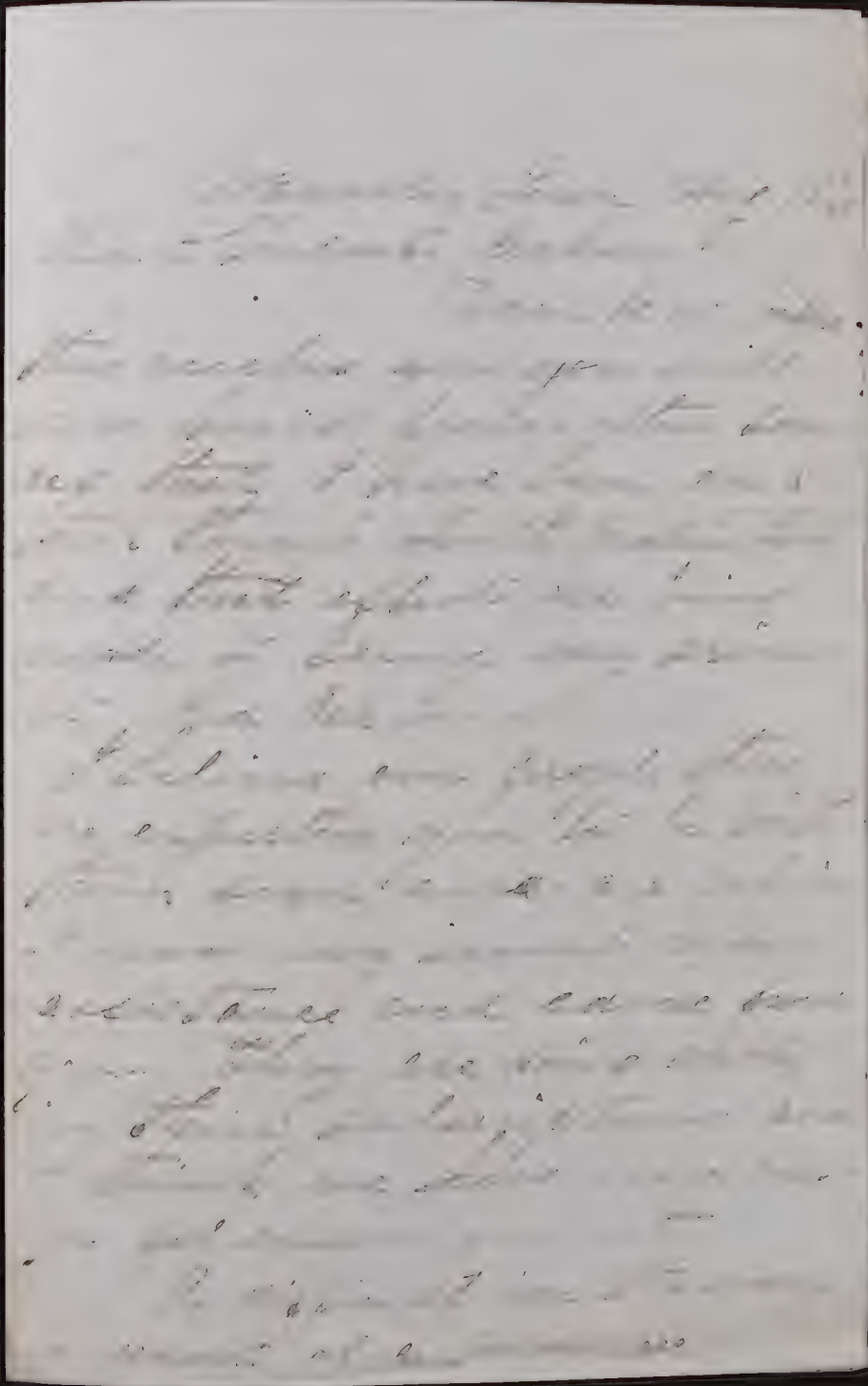
He is also very bitter against me, & is talking very hard against me. But for this I care nothing. So long as God's work prospers & the Church is defended.

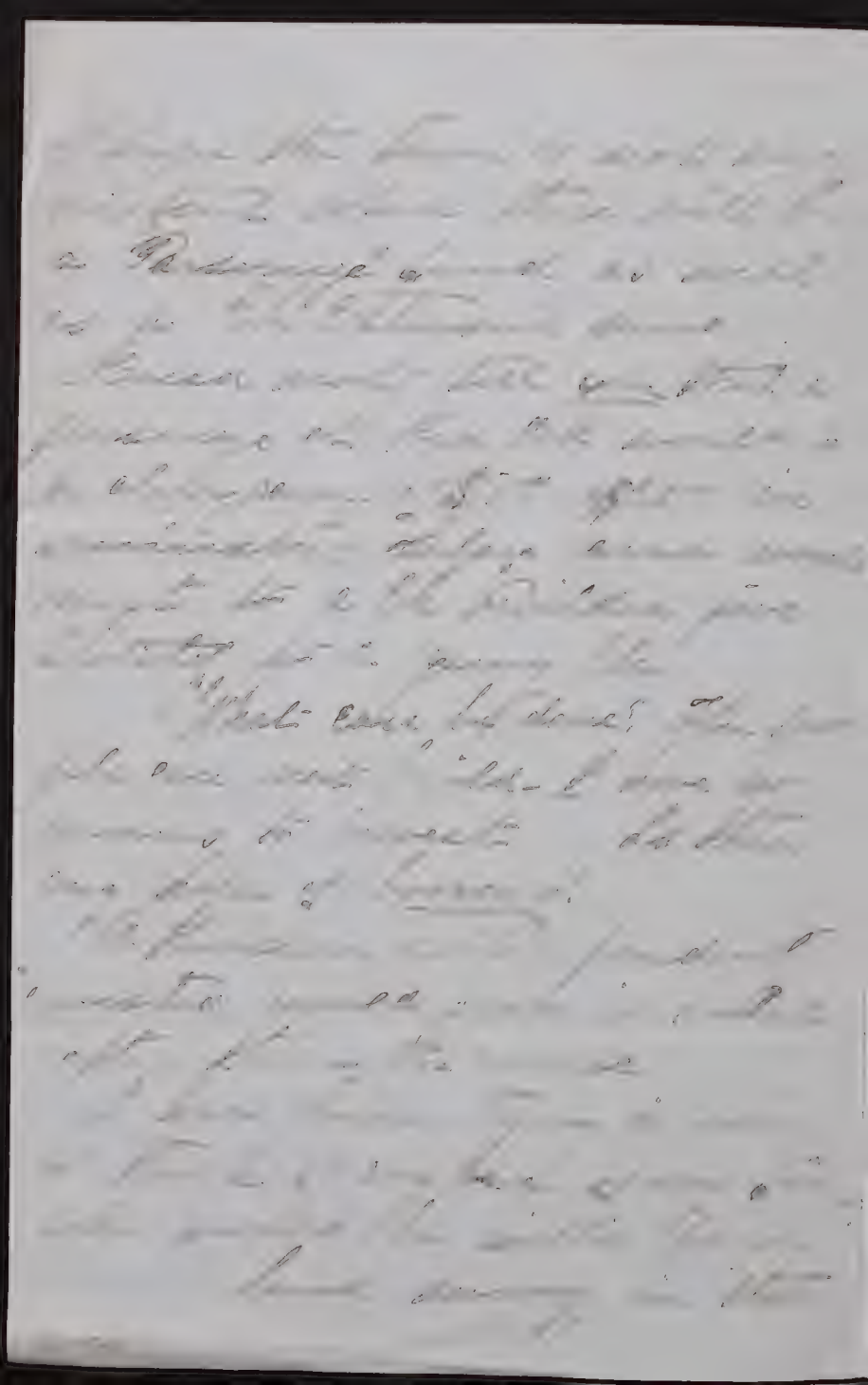
Be on your guard

in all your public
reputations & his
attacks. Keep cool,
& let your replies
be tempered with
Christian meekness.
& gentleness.

Hoping that the Master
may greatly bless &
prosper your efforts
to build up his king-
dom, I remain

Yours truly
John Armstrong





Cheyenne 18 Aug.

Bro. J.

I think all are willing for you to have all I could done in Chicago that will be for your interest to have done — Even if no saving to expenses it will defer matter here till you can get to mine —

It is cool here — Evenings sometimes almost uncomfortable

It has been very hot Mrs. Hook was very much disappointed in not seeing you —

What have Cleland & you determined in reference to Plattsmouth —

Something must be

matter with me — The
Epis. Chaplain at Port has
invited me to preach for him
& have not been well on
account of very sudden
change from hot to cool —
Feel all O.K. this morn-
ing — Had a good letter
from Patterson — all is
well — He as happy a young
"bantam" in domestic life —
Clare must be over from-
ed well — Had on his way
to Presbytery to visit and dedi-
cate Dr. Pax Cons "little adopt-
ed daughter" — Cravens
Ch. was dedicated — all com-
pleted & fifth mortgage — which was
assumed I suppose —
Regards to Mrs. L.
Yours
D. John C.

I have just received two letters
from — I wish Cleland could read
mine / tracts &c

Aug 17th 69

Grandstand Station

Bro Lockson

I have not commenced yet with a subscription as it is thought best to hold on for a short time until the R. R. Co. makes an other payment and the farmers get their crops into market & then Bro Ebe and others advise that course I will start the subscription in a bout three weeks I am yours in Christ Robt Mitchell

P.S. I will write you
a few lines but please let
me hosted as to where you
will be Sat.

R ch.

112 E. 31st St. N York.

Aug 20th 69.

Rev. Dickson Jackson,

Dear Sir:- If in your travels you meet with a Presbyterian Clergyman's family to whom a box of clothing would be acceptable, and you would be kind enough to send me the name address of such minister, I would take it very thankfully. The ladies of our Church would be glad to make up a box for such a family - the more children the better. &c.

Very truly Yours -

R. W. Cookling.

Cheyenne 20 Aug.

Bro Jackson,

Enclosed find check 500$ - Mr. Thompson is afraid that this church will be too expensive in all its parts - will need to be made cheaper - something left out -

Will you be at Bluffs to start for Miners?

all well - Hope you will find right man for Cheyenne and other points where we ought to have men settled -

Regards to Paris

Yours

John L Lloyd

Bro. McCandlish will find out about North Platte for you -

Adel. Aug 20/69

Dear Bro. Jackson.

Yours of 18th. is here. I dont believe, from his own discription of himself, that I have a place big enough for "D.C. White" at present. Is there not a practical joke somewhere about that letter. It is so curious. I dont believe I shall waste ink upon him. The pattern is too full for any of our smaller chs. Have you not a place somewhere in the Mountains for him. He certainly ought not to stop short of the Snowy Range — I presume he

will use one of the "Cales" which he carries in his "pocket".

I should be very glad to go down to Knoxville & meet the Brethren in Pres. & will if I can possibly get back from Manchester, Delaware Co. where I go on Sab 29. to organize a ch. I will say (D.V.) I will go with you from Desmoines on Thursday evening. At all events I will meet you in Desmoines if at all possible — on the arrival of the train from the west, about noon I think on that day —

Can you call off at Atlantic & see just what the state of things is there And Dexter, Baylis

of Desoto was cut out of Dexter by Bro. Hughes.

We have a good man in Weston, Mo. who would like a field & I think would do well at Atlantic - and if your people will unite on him. We can withdraw Mr Kellogg. if he is distasteful to them - We are losing at Atlantic for want of an understanding & cooperation of our forces Drop off there if you can - & look into it - as you come along.

Did you have a pleasant & prosperous trip."

If anything occurs to change your purpose of coming to Knoxville please inform me by letter to Ada.

Truly Your Bro. W^m McCampbell

Helena, M. T. August 1st 1869

We the undersigned hereby express our desire to be received as Members of the Presbyterian Church of Helena Montana and promise to Same our hearts Cooperation & support

Names

J. E. Witherspoon
Mrs James L. Fiske
Mrs Wolfalk
Mrs Lucy Watson
Mrs Annie Cuthbert
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Names

Helena August 1st 1869.

Corning

Iowa.

August 22. 1869

Granger Aug 21/69-

Rev. Sheldon Jackson
D.D. Sir

I sent to
Mr Hughes a pass good until
Dec 21/69 - between Rawlins &
Promontory.

I spoke to Mr
Mead the new Asst. Genl. Supt.
about pass for yourself - I think
he will give it to you & also
think an application to him
would be better than to Col.
Hammond altho' I hope he
will give you one also -

Let me
know when Mr Vanderyke intends
coming west I think I can
have him come with my
Indian family & perhaps get
the money for his fare from
for yr. use.

I have arranged also for Mr Hughes to have a pass east to Omaha when he goes for his "rib" & will send you blank for return trip so whether he or another returns it will be of use –

Very truly Yrs.

Thos. F. B. Morris.

address { Wahsatch
Utah
Wahsatch

Talapa. Neb
Aug 23rd 1869

Talapa Neb.
Aug 23. 1869

Rev. Sheldon Jackson
Dear Sir

I am very much gratified to learn from your letter of the 18th inst. which came to hand last evening, that we are to have preaching as soon as a minister can be permanently located at Fremont. The field here is entirely unoccupied, and I believe we could furnish a very fair audience the greater part of the year.

We have a new and quite commodious school house, an intelligent community,

and a flourishing Sabbath
School. Feeling very grateful
for the kindness which
you and Bro. Hutchinson
have shown us

I remain Yours &c

T. P. Leach

821 Chestnut St. Phila
Aug. 23, 1869

Rev Sheldon Jackson
Council Bluffs Iowa

Dear Sir

Your letter of Aug 19 with $3.00 inclosed was rec'd this morning, and I have sent 21 copies of the semi-monthly visitor to Rawlins as per receipt endosed. This is our first subscription to Wyoming Territory.

I have sent the full number of copies that I can send. If you find that more are needed I have no doubt that Dr Schenck will supply what is wanted.

Yours truly

Peter Wacker

Office of the Presbyterian
Philad^{a} Aug 23d 1869
Rev & Dear Sir

Yours of th. 17th
inst is received with Thirteen
50/100 Dollars for Subn of nine
new Subscribers

Very respectfully
I Wm Glover
for S Martin Hs

Sidney, Iowa
Aug. 23rd 1869.

Fremont Neb
Aug 24. 1869

Hutchison

1869

Rev Shelden Jackson

Dear Bro. I have almost despaired of hearing from you or any of my brethren in the west— I suppose you are so busy that you can not find time to write.

I now write to say that I need your advice and attention immediately. Bro Poland writes to me telling me that those interested in our enterprise prefer going into the other ch and that the general feeling of the 2nd ch and all is that they had better concentrate their efforts in the second ch and in time send off a colony to occupy the field we propose occupying

P.S. I have just returned from a visit to the Ohs in the W. part of Ohio

Your & Ply sent me there and as I am working under its care I think you & the Com' on missions should go and investigate the matter — We must have the cooperation of all to succeed.

I have met with success in collecting but can not collect enough to enable us to build this fall, unless it is a temporary building at a cost of $4 or 5000 — This Mr P says the people will neither give their means, ... to encourage — If this is true it is impossible to go forward. Let me know as soon as possible — yrs in +

M. V. VanAsdale Cin Ohio

August 25th 1869

This is to certify that Mary Welch is a member in the Presbyterian Church of Beech Spring in good and regular standing & at her request we have granted this certificate to connect where god in his providence may cast her lot

Jas. Taggart

by order of session

Huntingdon
Aug 31. 69
Rev Sheldon Jackson
Dear Bro.
I rec'd your
letter last week, &
would have ans'd it
immediately - but am not
quite ready yet to de-
cide. My heart is on
the field of Blair &
vicinity. I would like
Fremont & Blair.
or Blair & M. V. Junc.
Perhaps I will the one
decided on. I may
not be able to see you
in the west. as things
on the ground are,
By about the 1st or
2d Oct. if I come. I

will be on the ground
Prov. permitting
Yours truly
H. O. Smith

CHURCH ERECTION FUND,

J. P. CROSBY, Treasurer,

25 Pine Street, New-York City.

30 Vesey St Aug 30 1869

Dear Bro

Your letter followed me
back from California. We have
about $800 given for a church in
Cheyenne, which can be applied
there as soon as Reunion is legally
consummated. There is however no
legal way of anticipating that event
unless it be by commencing the Church
with one of our Presbyters. But I
apprehend that in that case your
Board would have the same objec-
tion. How will you manage it?

I am glad of your zeal and success on the N. P. R. R. God speed you.

Yours truly Bro
J. F. Ellinwood

Osceola Ia Aug 30th 1869

Co Sheldon Jackson

Dear Bro.

I was not home when you passed east last week. but hoped I should have seen you at Cromwell when went on Monday for noon train up. but was disappointed.

The reason why I have delayed "making my grateful acknowledgement" to you "to whom I am so" greatly indebted, is that I did not think you be at home for some days, & I could a letter should I write. & I have been very much occupied. now however please accept my thanks for the package left at our Station. The boots & the coat do fit Willie to a tee. He is soon to go off to school & they

will materially aid in making up his out fit. Hoping I may have the pleasure of seeing you at Presbytery I will not write at length now. Allow me however to say we are greatly interested in reading your communications in the Presbyterian & to see that the Lord has directed you to the important work in which you are engaged. May you be abundantly blessed in that work & all your interest is the prayer of yours truly in the Gospel

L. Osmond